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Finding History Day Returns
Explore Local History and Legacy

Join history lovers to celebrate Sonoma County's unique past at the third annual Sonoma County Finding History Day! More than 30 local historical and cultural organizations will showcase collections and hidden treasures, and share stories and upcoming projects on Saturday, November 2 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Avenue.

This free event is presented by the Sonoma County Historical Society and co-sponsored by Sonoma County Library. Other sponsors include the Redwood Empire Chinese Association, Japanese American Citizens League, Drake Navigators Guild and Harry Lindstrom of the Sea Ranch Archives Committee.

"Finding History Day offers an incredible opportunity to connect with the rich tapestry of our community's past. By engaging with diverse perspectives and resources, we aim to inspire future generations to explore and celebrate the histories that shape us all," said Michael Von der Porten, treasurer for the Sonoma County Historical Society and archivist for the Drake Navigators Guild.

"The event not only shapes our community by bringing people together, but also fosters a shared purpose," added Simone Kremkau, a librarian at the Sonoma County History & Genealogy Library. "By exploring our collective history, we create connections that enrich our understanding and strengthen our bonds, uniting us in a common aim of discovery. Sonoma County Library has proudly co-sponsored this initiative for the past three years."

Local public, private, academic and governmental organizations will share their ongoing projects and highlight samples of their holdings—participants range from the Russian River Historical Society, the Lesbian Archives of Sonoma County, the Petaluma Blacks for Community Development, and the Sonoma Coast Historic and Undersea Nautical Research Society. The event will also include book signings by local authors and several presentations highlighting the diversity of Sonoma County's rich legacy.

Learn more at events.sonomalibrary.org/event/sonoma-county-finding-history-day-2024-58587

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